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Application of David A. Johnson et al. Art Unit 3726
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For METHOD OF INSTALLING AN EDGEPIECE ON A BATTERY PLATE
Examiner Stephen Kenny

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**LETTER TO PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE REGARDING
PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

The above-noted application was filed on November 24, 2003, as a divisional application claiming priority to U.S. Pat. Appl. No. 09/671,464 (now U.S. Pat. No. 6,685,753). A Preliminary Amendment was filed with the divisional application (copy enclosed). The Preliminary Amendment included an amendment to the specification adding a "Cross Reference to Related Applications" section. This section was to be inserted between the title and the "Background of the Invention" section. This amendment, however, was not reflected in the published application. Please enter this amendment into the file.

Applicants do not believe an amendment under 35 U.S.C. §1.312 is required to add the "Cross Reference to Related Applications" section because the addition was timely requested in the Preliminary Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-entitled application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.